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# Best Practices of Building Commissioning



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# Commissioning Provides Framework for Successful Building Operations

Commissioning is a systematic process of assuring that a facility performs in accordance with the design intent and the owner's operational needs.

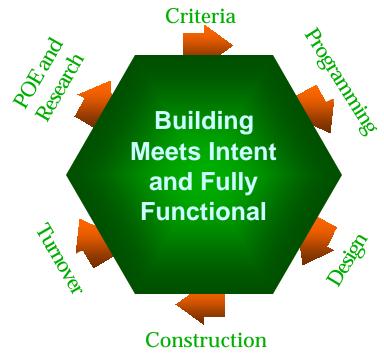


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# Commissioning Captures Performance Expectations





# Commissioning Goes Beyond Current Practice and Catches Problems Early

- Documentation of owner objectives
- Documentation of design description
- Independent reviews (design & submittals)
- Independent construction observation
- Tracking of issues
- Checklists for contractors
- Functional performance testing
- Higher quality O&M manual and training



# Commissioning is Facilitating a Process, Not Fingerpointing

### Process includes:

- Setting a quality process in place
- Anticipating problems
- Working to find solutions
- Following through issues to get results
- Helping everyone achieve the same goal



# Commissioning Activities Are Incorporated in Each Phase

#### Pre-Design

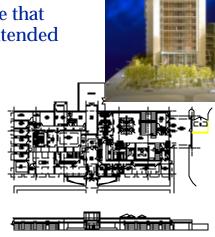
 Owner's objectives and requirements for the facility developed and documented in the design intent

#### Design

Peer review of design to ensure that the building will perform as intended

# ConstructionDocuments

 Integration of commissioning requirements into the construction documents





# Through Construction & Warranty Phases

#### Construction

 Observation and functional performance testing of equipment and systems to ensure the building delivered meets the owner's expectations



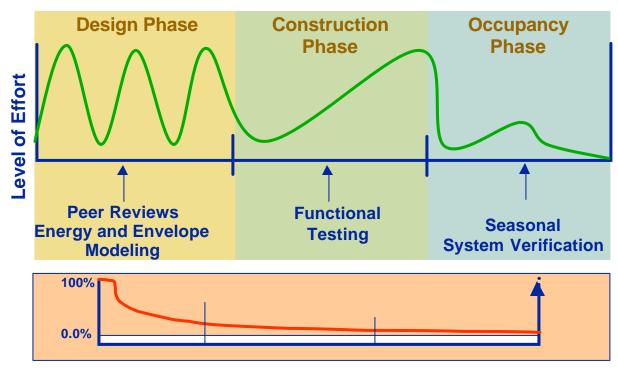
## Startup, Documentation & O&M Training

 Deliver superior building documentation and training to facility staff





# Specialized Services During Each Phase





# Who is Performing Commissioning?

- Federal Sector
- State Governments
- Local Governments
- Universities
- Private Sector



### Federal Sector

- General Services Administration
  - Numerous
     Courthouses
     Nationwide,
     including Seattle
     Courthouse



- Department of Defense
- Department of Energy
- Environmental Protection Agency



# 2 Hatfield Federal Courthouse



- □ 565,000 square feet
- □ 16 stories
- Downtown location
- □ \$100 M construction cost
- Occupied in 1997



### U.S. Courthouse in Seattle



- **615,000** square feet
- 20 stories
- Downtown location
- □ \$150 M construction cost
- Design started in 1998
- Construction started in 2001
- Occupancy anticipated in Spring 2004



### State Governments

- OR, WA, ID, MT
  - Commissioning Public Buildings Program
- Tennessee
  - New Construction Projects
- New York
  - Developing the Infrastructure

- Louisiana
- Florida
- Texas
- Nevada
- Utah
- New York
- Pennsylvania



### **Local Governments**

- Montgomery County, MD
  - Commissioning program (1994-present)
- Washington County, OR
- Multnomah County, OR
- City of Seattle
- Alachua County, FL
- Numerous school districts



# Ada County Courthouse



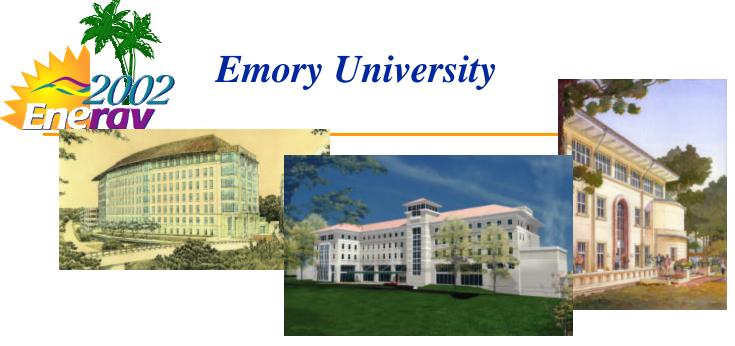
- Owner's representative
- 350,000 gsf; \$45.5 million
- Design/build project
- NW Commissioning Public Buildings Program Case Study



## Universities

- Emory University
- Texas A&M
  - ContinuousCommissioning
- University of South Florida

- Maryland
- California
- Illinois
- Connecticut
- Utah
- Idaho
- Oregon



- Three new high-technology facilities
- Commissioning services provided at different project stages
- Value management
- LEED<sup>TM</sup> certification



### Private Sector

- KaiserPermanente
- Walt DisneyDevelopment
- Sprint
- Boeing (1995-present)

- Target
- J. Paul Getty Museum
- HewlettPackard
- Chevron
- Westin Hotels